Simple Models of Complex Turbulent Flows

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Preliminary:

• The Euler and Navier-Stokes equations

The Euler equation for v(r, t) is the 2nd Newton's law for the fluid particle:

Fluid particle
AccelerationPressure
Force $\rho \left[\frac{\partial v(r,t)}{\partial t} + (v \cdot \nabla)v \right] - (-\nabla p) = 0,$ Leonard Euler, 1741.

The Navier-Stokes equation accounts for the viscous friction:

$$\rho \left[\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r},t)}{\partial t} + \underbrace{(\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \boldsymbol{v} \right] + \boldsymbol{\nabla} p}_{\text{Nonlinear}} = (\rho \nu) \Delta \boldsymbol{v}, \text{ Claude L.M.H. Navier, 1827,} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Nonlinear} \\ \text{interaction} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{viscous} \\ \text{friction} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{George Gabriel Stokes, 1845.} \end{array} \right]$$

Osborne Reynolds (1894) introduced "Reynolds number" $\mathcal{R}e$

$$\mathcal{R}e = = \simeq \frac{u \nabla v}{\nu \Delta v} \simeq \frac{LV}{\nu}$$
 as a measure of the nonlinearity of the NSE.

• Lewis Fry Richardson (1920) cascade model of turbulence:



"Big whirls have little whirls That feed on their velocity And little whirls have lesser whirls And so on to viscosity" L.F. Richardson, paraphrase of J. Swift

 $\Leftarrow \text{Hurricane Bonnie, } V_{\mathsf{T}} \simeq 300 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}},$ Reynolds number at $H \simeq 500 \text{m}$

$$\mathcal{R}e = \frac{V_{\mathrm{T}}H}{\nu} \simeq 10^{10} \gg \mathcal{R}e_{\mathrm{Cr}} \sim 10^2$$

Unstable H, V_{T} -eddies create smaller H_1, V_1 -eddies with $\mathcal{R}e > \mathcal{R}e_1 \gg \mathcal{R}e_{Cr}$. Their instability creates H_2, V_2 -eddies of the second generation, end so on, until $\mathcal{R}e_n$ of the *n*-th generation eddies reaches R_{Cr} and will be dissipated by viscosity: $\mathcal{R}e > \mathcal{R}e_1 > \mathcal{R}e_2 > \dots > \mathcal{R}e_{n-1} > \mathcal{R}e_n > \mathcal{R}e_{Cr}$.

Andrei N. Kolmogorov-1941 cascade model of homogeneous turbulence:



I. Universality of small scale statistics, isotropy, homogeneity; II. Scale-by-scale "locality" of the energy transfer; III. In the inertial interval of scales the only relevant parameter is the mean energy flux ε .

 \Rightarrow dimensional reasoning \Rightarrow

- 1. Turbulent energy of scale ℓ in inertial interval $E_{\ell} \simeq \rho \, \varepsilon^{2/3} \, \ell^{2/3}$,
- 2. Turnover and life time of *l*-eddies: $\tau_{\ell} \simeq \epsilon^{-1/3} \ell^{2/3}$
- 3. Viscous crossover scale $\eta \simeq \varepsilon^{-1/4} \nu^{3/4}, \ N \sim \mathcal{R}e^{3/4} \dots$

1. One-fluid model for a turbulently flowing suspension VL, G. Ooms A. Pomyalov [PRE, **67**, 046314, (2003)]

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c. Effective interaction amplitude in the modified Navier-Stokes Eq. is Galilean invariant and conserves the total kinetic energy

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Summary: Simple "One-fluid" model with K41 closure provide an **internally consistent analytical description** of the turbulence modification by particles: the dependencies of suppression or enhancement of turbulence on $\tau_p \gamma_L$, ϕ , scale of eddies, and many other parameters.

2. Clustering of particles & droplets in *Space-homogeneous* turbulence of **Compressible**, **Two-phase** fluid, (water droplets in clouds, fuel droplets in in-ternal combustion engines) [Elperin-Kleeorin-L-Liberman-Rogachevskii-Sokoloff-'02-04]

• Basic dynamical equation of motion: $\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (nv) = D\Delta n \Rightarrow$ $\Theta(t,r) = n(t,r) - \bar{n}, \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} + (v \cdot \nabla) \Theta = -\Theta \operatorname{div} v + D\Delta \Theta.$

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Suggested **Rigid-Cluster Model** $\Theta(\rho|t,r) \Rightarrow A_{cl}(t) \theta(\frac{|r-\rho|}{\ell_{cl}})$ reduces the problem to ODE for the cluster amplitude $A_{cl}(t)$, and allows efficient analysis with physically transparent analytical results

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• Effect of turbulent diffusion: renormalization of molecular diffusion: D by the effective turbulent diffusion D_{T} . $D \rightarrow D + D_{T}$, $D_{T} \sim \ell_{CI} v_{CI}/3 \Rightarrow$ \Rightarrow After some simple consideration \Rightarrow

$$\gamma_{\rm dif}(q) \simeq -q \frac{D_T}{\ell_{\rm Cl}^2} \simeq -\frac{q}{3} \frac{v_{\rm Cl}}{\ell_{\rm Cl}} \simeq -\frac{q}{3 \tau_{\rm Cl}}, \quad \tau_{\rm Cl} \text{ turnover time of the } \ell_{\rm Cl} \text{-eddies}$$

• Estimate of the growth rate of clustering instability

$$\mathcal{M}_{q}(t) = \langle |A_{\mathsf{CI}}(t)| \rangle = \mathcal{M}_{q}(0) \exp(\gamma_{q} t), \qquad \gamma_{q} \simeq \gamma_{\mathsf{dif}}(q) + \gamma_{\mathsf{in}}(q),$$
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$$\sigma \equiv \frac{\langle [\mathsf{div} w]^{2} \rangle}{\langle |\nabla \times w|^{2} \rangle} \simeq \left(\frac{\rho_{\mathsf{p}}}{\rho_{\mathsf{f}}}\right)^{2} \left(\frac{a}{\eta}\right)^{4} \equiv \left(\frac{a}{a_{*}}\right)^{4} \text{ compressibility parameter,}$$
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Summary: For $a > a_*$ homogeneous particles/droplets distribution is unstable \Rightarrow clusterization. In particular, the probability of particle-particle collision $\propto \langle n^2 \rangle \propto \mathcal{M}_2(t) \propto \exp(\gamma_2 t)$ and finally increases in orders of magnitude. Thus, the clustering instability of \mathcal{M}_2 has reach consequences for dynamics of water droplet in turbulent clouds, fuel droplets in diesel engines, etc. **3. Simple model of Turbulent Boundary Layer**: Space-inhomogeneous, Near-wall turbulence of *Incompressible*, *One-phase* fluid (Atmospheric TBL, channel & pipe high- $\mathcal{R}e$ flows) [L'vov-Pomyalov-Tiberkevich-'03]

In our simple model of TBL:

- Space energy transfer is ignored with respect of local energy dissipation \Rightarrow Only Local (in r) Mechanical Balance and Local Energy Balance are accounted for.

- Space derivatives are estimated via distance to the wall.

Navier-Stokes Eq. \Rightarrow Exact Local Mechanical Balance Eq.:

$$\nu \frac{dV(y)}{dy} + W(y) = p'L,$$

$$W(y) \equiv -\langle u_x u_y \rangle$$
, $p' \equiv -\frac{dp}{dx} = \text{const}$.

Kolmogorov-41 inspired Model for **Balance of Local Energy** K(y):

$$ig[
uig(rac{a}{y}ig)^2 + rac{b\sqrt{K(y)}}{y}ig]K(y) = W(y)rac{dV(y)}{dy},$$

 $K(y) \equiv rac{1}{2}ig\langle |u(r,t)|^2ig
angle \,, \quad a, \ b \sim 1$

• Analytical solution: We have two Eqs. for the three objects: Mean shear, $S(y)y \equiv dV(y)/dy$, Kinetic energy, $K(y) = \frac{1}{2} \langle u^2 \rangle$ and Reynolds stress, $W(y) \equiv - \langle u_x u_y \rangle$:

- For mechanical momentum: $\left[\nu_0 + \nu_p(y)\right] S(y) + W(y) = p'L$, (1)
- Kin. energy: $\{ [\nu_0 + \nu_p(y)] (a/y)^2 + b \sqrt{K(y)/y} \} K(y) = W(y) S(y),$ (2)
- Introduce simple TBL closure:

 $W(y) = c_N^2 K(y) . \quad (3).$

Solve quadratic eq. (1)-(3) for S(y) & integrate. The result: For $y^+ \le y_v^+ = a/c_N$: $V^+ = y^+$. (4*a*) For $y^+ \ge y_v^+$:

$$V^{+}(y^{+}) = \frac{1}{\kappa_{\rm K}} \ln Y(y^{+}) + B - \Delta(y^{+}), \quad B = 2y_v^{+} - \frac{1}{\kappa_{\rm K}} \ln \left[\frac{e \left(1 + 2\kappa_{\rm K} y_v^{+} \right)}{4\kappa_{\rm K}} \right],$$
$$Y(y^{+}) = [y^{+} + \sqrt{y^{+2} - y_v^{+2}} + (2\kappa_{\rm V})^{-2}]/2, \quad \kappa_{\rm K} = c_{\rm N}/b, \qquad (4b)$$
$$\Delta(y^{+}) = \frac{2\kappa_{\rm K}^2 y_v^{+2} + 4\kappa_{\rm K}[Y(y^{+}) - y^{+}] + 1}{2\kappa_{\rm K}^2 y^{+}}. \quad \text{Two fit parameters: } \kappa_{\rm N} \& B.$$

• Comparison of analytical profile (4) with experiment & numerics

- Prandtl-Karman profile $V^+ = 2.5 \ln y^+ + 5.5$ consts. are used in (4)



One sees that our simple Algebraic Reynolds-stress model, based on the exact of mechanical balance momentum, K41 inspired *model equation* for the local energy balance, and simple TBL closure for W/K gives analytical, semi-quantitative description of the mean velocity profile.



Left: Profiles of the Reynolds stress $W^+(z^+)$: Black solid line – simple analytical model with $c_N^2 = 0.28$; Blue dashed line – DNS data. Red dash-dotted line – Improved model with fit function (*) for $c(z^+)$. Right: Function $c^2(z^+) = W(z^+)/K(z^+)$: Blue dashed line – DNS data, Red dash-dotted line – suggested fit for $c^2(z^+)$:

$$c^{2}(z^{+}) = 0.28 \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{z^{+}}{24}\right) \right]$$
 (*)



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Conclusion:

Improvement $c(z^+) \neq \text{const.}$ does not effect the mean velocity profile, slightly improves Reynolds stress and important only for the kinetic energy.

Summary:

- We suggested simple Algebraic Reynolds-stress model, based on
 - i) *Exact* balance of mechanical momentum,
 - ii) K41 inspired *model equation* for the local energy balance, and
 - iii) Simple TBL closure for W/K.
- The model gives analytical, semi-quantitative description of the mean velocity profile, and profiles of the Reynolds stress and kinetic energy
- The physical transparency and simplicity of the model allows its generalization for turbulently flowing suspension, laden with

i) polymers, leading to a theory of drag reduction by dilute additives of flexible polymers, (VL, I.Procaccia, A.Pomyalov, V.Tiberkevich, PRL, 2004)

ii) microbubbles (VL, AP, IP, VT PRL, submitted)

iii) heavy particles (atmospheric TBL over stormy see and deserts), etc.